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National Post photographers mentor Dillon Tilley

Retired National Post photographer Peter Redman and current National Post photographer and two-time Canadian photojournalist of the year, Tyler Anderson, spent most of the day on Saturday with Haliburton High School student Dillon Tilley, an aspiring photographer and cancer victim. After listening to Anderson's harrowing tales of his two visits to Haiti after the earthquake earlier this year - and the names of some of the celebrities he's photographed through the years - Tilley said he's now seriously considering becoming a photojournalist. The two pros allowed Tilley to experiment with their gear and also showed him some cool lighting and photography tricks that Tilley immediately began experimenting with.

Photos by Laura Redman



Winterfest scores ringer

Bell Aliant 'major' sponsor

By Mark Arike

It's official: Bell Aliant is the major sponsor of the 2011 Winterfest Ontario Senior Games.

At a press conference held at 212 Fine Foods on Monday, Winterfest representatives, local political figures and Bell Aliant Regional Services Director Tom Blake made the partnership public.

"I am very confident that these games will be the sporting highlight of the year," said Blake, who spoke on behalf of Bell and the company's local employees. "We're very excited to partner once again with the Sport Alliance of Ontario to deliver this successful event."

Bell has sponsored both senior and youth games in the past, including events in Muskoka and Brockville.

Blake said that the calibre of competition in the games is "unparalleled" and added that spectators will be impressed by the sporting events that will be hosted in Haliburton County come February.

"As a community you will most certainly appreciate the impact of hosting Winterfest 2011," he said.

As "presenting" sponsor, Bell will provide the games with a financial contribution (an unspecified amount) as well as in-kind donations.

"They will be supporting us with not only human resource support staff [from the local office] but also physical infrastructure - things such as radios, cell phones, pylons and equipment," said Myke Malone, general manager of the games.

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Work on York St. nears completion

By Mark Arike

Improvements to York St. and other parts of Haliburton's downtown core are almost complete.

"We're shooting for the end of November," said Shawn Graham, project supervisor for Fowler Construction.

Started back in September, construction crews have done a number of things to improve what's above ground and what's below it.

"We've upgraded the storm service ... pretty much everything underground on York St.," Graham said.

"There's going to be distinguished entrances and exits to a

lot of the businesses down there," he added, mentioning that parallel parking spots will be available.

To help protect the natural water source nearby (Head Lake), what is known as a Stormceptor was installed.

"It catches a lot of the overflow, any of the contaminants like oils, grease and gasoline. That stuff settles to the bottom of the Stormceptor and every so often a vacuum truck will come to pump it out," Graham said.

All the boulevards will be decorated with interlocking stone to distinguish where concrete ends and asphalt begins. To beautify the street, a variety of trees, shrubs and flowers are being introduced to the area.

With Remembrance Day held one week ago, an area of focus for work crews was at the location of the cenotaph.

"It was something that we strived to do and said that we would have completed for that time," Graham said. Work at the historic site included retaining walls, fencing, interlocking stones and planting.

In the initial contract for the project, the entrance to York St. via Maple Ave. was to be narrowed in order to become more "pedestrian friendly".

"It's a long and wide intersection to cross, so there were some safety concerns when it came to people getting across the road," Graham explained.

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Some of the key players at the Winterfest/Bell Aliant announcement, left to right: Jim Bradley, CEO of Sport Alliance of Ontario; Dave Burton, Warden of Haliburton County; Tom Blake, Director Regional Services Bell Aliant; Ronnie Brown, President Ontario Senior Games Association; Alan Clark, Chair 2011 Winterfest Ontario Senior Games; Rick Johnson, MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock; and Myke Malone, manager 2011 Winterfest Ontario Senior Games.

Bell called the "perfect partner"

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Winterfest chair Alan Clark called Bell the "perfect partner" for this year's event.

"They're already involved in our county and are putting in a lot of money into infrastructure so that we'll have high-speed [internet]," said Clark, asking those in attendance to salute the company by raising their wine glass.

As someone who's been involved in a number of similar games, Clark said that there are two key ingredients to pulling off a successful event.

"One is volunteers – and we're blessed in this county with extraordinary people who come forward. The other is corporate sponsorship. We've had great support from the local businesses in our community, but that's never enough to put sponsorship over the top."

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Rick Johnson said that he's looking forward to the events heading to Haliburton, and joked about how he could enter since he's now in the 55-plus age range.

"Congratulations for getting in on this," Johnson told Bell representatives. "I told my wife, yesterday, that we now qualify. She said that unless there's an event that involves changing the remote control at super speeds, I wouldn't get in," he laughed.

Other speakers included Haliburton County Warden Dave Burton, CEO of Sport Alliance of Ontario Jim Bradley and President of the Ontario Senior Games Association Ronnie Brown.

Taking place from February 15 to 17 at venues throughout Haliburton County, the games will feature alpine skiing, badminton, curling, ice hockey, duplicate bridge, Nordic skiing, skating, table tennis, ten-pin bowling and volleyball.

The games – which are a program of the Ministry of Ministry of Health and Promotions, delivered by the Sport Alliance of Ontario – are expected to bring 1,000 athletes, coaches and officials from across the province to the area. Over 400 volunteers will run the festivities.

It's estimated that the three-day event will generate between \$1 and \$1.5 million in economic benefits for the local economy. ■

Enter the Bears' Lair

By Mark Arike

Many Canadians are probably familiar with The Dragons' Den, a CBC television series where aspiring entrepreneurs present their ideas to five multi-millionaires in the hopes of developing a partnership and receiving financial backing.

Well now, thanks to the Workforce Development Board (WDB) and other sponsoring organizations like the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC), a similar entrepreneurial competition is heading to the Highlands and three other nearby communities.

Known as the Bears' Lair, the competition seeks those who are looking to start a business in Haliburton, Peterborough, City of Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland.

Up for grabs – A \$50,000 interest-free loan for the winner and start-up tools like computers, hardware and professional support services for finalists.

As part of the grand finale, Robert Herjavec, one of the five "dragons" from the hit CBC show, will make a special appearance as a guest judge and speaker. Gord Evans, CEO of the WBD, said that the competition will result in a new business in one of the communities.

"We know that there will be someone who is going to win the overall competition and will start a business in one of the four areas," said Evans.

Evans said that the idea for the competition came from members of his staff (many of whom watch Dragons' Den) after they attended a seminar with creative economy expert Richard Florida.

"They came to me and said that we need to do something creative," said Evans. One of intended outcomes of the competition, said Evans, is to help stimulate the entrepreneurial sector.

"It stems back to the labour market plan that we looked at last year... we knew all along that entrepreneurial businesses are one of the major drivers of the economic situation in the area," he said.

Entries from Haliburton County will be reviewed by a panel of local judges at Haliburton's Fleming College campus in Haliburton on Thursday, February 10.

"We [HCDC investment committee] are going to review the business plans and select a winner who will compete in the finals in Peterborough," said Andy Campbell, general manager of the HCDC.

The four finalists from each of the four communities will square off at a final presentation – open to the public – at Showcase in Peterborough on Tuesday, March 1.

Regardless of how well the finalist from Haliburton County does, they will receive \$750 in services from each of the following: lawyer Ray Selbie, chartered accountant Hugh Nichol, marketing consultant Mike Jaycock and printing services from Parker Pad & Printing Ltd. A Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce membership and computer equipment will also be part of the prize package.

Campbell sees the initiative as a way of giving local entrepreneurs a boost and drawing attention to the work of the HCDC.

The HCDC is a not-for-profit organization that works in partnership with the Federal government. Development corporations in the three other communities are partners in the competition, and are judging their local competitors.

Applications will be evaluated according to a long list of criteria, including: innovation, commercialization, job creation and the presentation of the business plan.

According to Evans, the set alone for the final showdown in Peterborough will be worth checking out.

"We have some great set designers ... it'll be like walking into a bear's cave," he said.

Tickets for that show are \$30 and Evans hopes that "half of Haliburton" comes down to follow their finalist. The deadline for all entries is Dec. 10. Visit www.bearslair.ca or call 705-749-3250 ext. 16 for more information. More details can also be obtained locally by calling the HCDC at 705-457-3555. ■



Single vehicle rollover Wednesday morning

Dysart et al firefighters could be seen directing traffic on Haliburton Lake Rd. Wednesday morning after a single vehicle rollover. As of press time, OPP weren't able to release the details of the accident, but it appeared that the driver lost control of their vehicle, crossed the southbound lane and ended up in the ditch. The condition of the driver is unknown. Roads were wet at the time of the incident.

Photos by Mark Arike



Two vehicle collision in front of HHSS

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment have charged a male party after being called to the scene of a two vehicle collision on County Road 21, in front of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, at 10:30am on November 12, 2010. The two vehicles involved, were travelling westbound on County Road 21, when they collided near to the most westerly driveway to HHSS. One driver was transported to Haliburton Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. As a result of the collision, 28 year old Randy SMITH of Ottawa, has been charged with Careless Driving.

Photo by Mark Arike

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Crews work by the back parking lot of the Stedmans V&S mall last week.

Grade of sidewalk changed to accommodate large trucks

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But because large trucks often use that stretch of road as a bypass through town, it was decided that instead, the grade of the sidewalk would be changed, starting from the entrance of the Dysart et al library all the way to the Highland St. intersection.

Also along those streets, storm pipes were upgraded, new curbs and sidewalks installed and tripping hazards removed.

Once crews came within a certain distance of the Highland St. and Maple Ave. intersection, OPP officers were brought in to direct traffic. At certain times, Maple Ave. was closed off to

vehicle traffic completely.

Navigating work crews around the public has been challenging at times, however, there haven't been any major roadblocks (no pun intended) to thwart progress, said Graham.

"Everybody [the public] has been more than cooperative and understanding," Graham added that local business owners and staff near the construction zone have also been patient and supportive – some, like those at the 4Cs Thrift Shop, even provided workers coffee.

As of press time, ongoing work included grading, paving, planting and interlock stonework. ■

Police Reports

Disturbance at Mountain Street Residence Minden Hills Man Charged

(HALIBURTON, ON) – On November 10, 2010 at approximately 5:10pm, Haliburton Highlands OPP responded to disturbance at a Mountain Street residence in Haliburton. Upon arrival of the officers, they observed an intoxicated male.

David PATERSON, 30 years, of The Township of Minden Hills, has been charged with Resist Police Officer and Mischief under \$5000. Mr PATERSON is to appear in Minden court on December 1, 2010 to deal with the charges. ■

OPP stop impaired driver Emsdale Man Charged

(HALIBURTON, ON) – On November 9, 2010 at approximately 3:30pm, Haliburton Highlands OPP stopped a vehicle on Highway 35, north of Carnarvon. Officers determined that the driver of the vehicle had been consuming alcohol.

Thomas REMMELGAS, 47 years of Emsdale, Ontario, has been charged with Impaired Driving, and Drive Over 80mgs. Mr REMMELGAS is to appear in Minden court on January 5, 2011 to deal with the charges. ■



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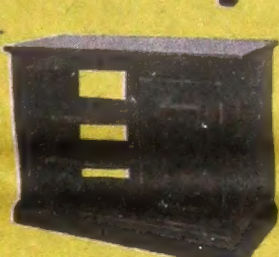
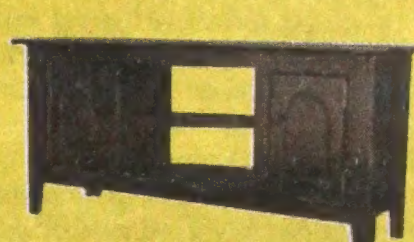
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Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick



Armageddon – or just hard times?

The economic news world-wide is enough to make you crawl under the bed, your brow fevered, your withered hands clutching your few remaining toonies, and, in good Canadian fashion, cursing the banks, not to mention the streets they live on. In the Globe and Mail recently columnist and former Ottawa Citizen editor Neil Reynolds quotes a prominent American economist, one Laurence Kotlikoff, who says that our neighbours to the south, that erstwhile engine of world economic progress, is so incredibly broke that only the most authoritarian and draconian measures can even begin to fix the problem.

"Let's get real. The U.S. is bankrupt," says Kotlikoff. To deal with "the real American debt" would, apparently, demand doubling of federal taxes in perpetuity, that's income taxes, corporate taxes, consumption taxes, the lot.

Which would be, of course, not only political suicide, but a recipe for social unrest on a scale never seen before in America. The alternatives are radical enough (see Kotlikoff's "Jimmy Stewart is Dead", published this year, for details, or check out Neil Reynolds column on the net for few excerpts).

Now, Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Kotlikoff are both staunch fiscal and political conservatives, and are more than slightly predisposed to take a flinty-eyed view of virtually any role government might have in our economy or our lives, apart from sweeping the streets and keeping the malcontents from the gates. But still, with Ireland's economy plunging, the Obama administration hamstrung, if not neutered, and European and Asian hard money men demanding America straighten up – well, you don't have to be a Reaganite to be a little worried.

Here at home, whether in the big cities or small towns, we still tend to be slightly isolationist, and some would say, slightly smug, about our banking system, and our mainly fiscally sober governments. And to be sure, our banks have survived the last few years better than those of any other country. But the world is so interdependent that it's impossible to imagine that we'd escape a meltdown. Prime Minister Stephen Harper was at pains this week to reassure people that no great crisis was on our doorstep, despite all the signs, which is a little like a hockey general manager saying his coach's job is safe after, say, 20 losses or so.

This sense of – well, let's just call it unease – is particularly bad news for communities like ours, whose economy is so connected to our seasonal residents' discretionary spending habits. Cottagers might think of their gem in the woods as being essential – but it would generally take a distant second place to the home-sweet-home in Leaside, or Oshawa. As Christmas approaches we can only hope first, that seasonal residents shop long and hard here at weekends, and secondly that all Haliburtonians spend as much as possible of their Christmas budget at home. The holiday season is what keeps many of our retailers alive until spring. And they'll need you this year as much as they ever have. ■

Letter of the Week

"A privilege to hear her recollections."

Dear Editor;

I would like to thank Laura Redman for her full page story about former Army Corporal Billy Pickard in this week's paper. Billy's memories and photos are a wonderful story: it is a privilege to hear her recollections. Billy continues to be a proud and active member in her Legion and community - thank you Billy for all you have done and may we all remember your words on a daily basis "how lucky we are"

Another heart warming story this week is Barnes & MacLean and their Fuel for Warmth initiative - grass roots help for those who need it - I wish them every success and encourage readers to donate what they can - every little bit helps.

The third thing I want to comment on is the publishers editorial - well said Jack - thank you for reminding our leaders that once the voting is over, put it behind and pull together for the good of the community - please!

Joan Cameron
Haliburton. ■



Members of the Haliburton ATV Association and users of the Rail Trail worked to clean up the trail on November 13.

User groups should realize they have responsibilities as well as rights

Dear Editor:

On November 13 Haliburton ATV did its annual cleanup of the Haliburton Rail Trail. Fifteen members came out this year to help, some from places such as Scarborough, Guelph and Orillia. This clean-up has to be done every year; otherwise the waste would keep piling up. A very large trailer full of material, including such items as tires, lawnmowers, a television, chairs, skids, windows and the usual trash was gathered. Members of HATVA even came across a deer carcass and a bag of dirty diapers. During the day, they also encountered a truck, the driver of which claimed he did not see the signs saying "no trucks."

It's not recreational users of the rail trail who are making the mess along the trail, dumping all kinds of refuse; however, they want to see their community kept clean.

Despite the fact that HATVA advertised this cleanup in the paper for two weeks, inviting other trail user groups to come out and help, no other groups showed up.

Haliburton ATV is happy to do this cleanup for the community and will continue to do so. We are, however, disappointed that the not so silent minority does a lot of complaining and not too much in service to the rail trail community. The linear park envisioned for the future will look like a linear junkyard without concerned citizens who come out to do the work.

Bob Johnson,
President, HATVA Haliburton ■



Back Words Short Story Contest

The County Voice, in partnership with R.D. Lawrence Place, is pleased to announce the first annual Back Words Short Story Contest. This writing contest features three age categories: Child – ages eight to 12; Youth – ages 13 to 18; and Adult – everyone else 19 years and over. This contest does not have a boring theme - instead the challenge is that all writers must include the following five words in their fictional short story: canoe, Gelert, library, dancing and umbrella. All entries must be 750 words or less, and must include the writer's contact name and information on a separate cover page. Contest deadline is November 26.

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Dear Editor:

Are our politicians serious about public housing?

Dear Editor,

At the two candidate meetings I attended before making my choices for Councillor and Deputy Reeve I was struck by how many of the candidates saw affordable housing as a major issue and how passionately some spoke about their wish to solve the "problem". The only part of the debate that still registers with me is that there are over 120 people in Haliburton County who are on a list for affordable housing. In other words I heard nothing that told me that a solution was close at hand. This is in contrast to the pledges to move heaven and earth for a swimming pool.

The other thing that has struck me as peculiar about the debate on this issue is the fact that those who were speaking so eloquently did not see anything wrong with \$1,100,000 of tax payers money being spent on a streetscape in Haliburton Village and \$1,000,000 being tossed around as the cost of a water tower in Minden Hills. My read of the situation is that since these projects have been brought to reality that our Municipal politicians really don't see affordable housing as being that big of a priority. If that \$2,000,000 of tax payers' money had been directed at the affordable housing "problem" would it not have made a dent in the waiting list?

Within the County there have been significant sums of money raised via various fund raising activities. Each of the causes that I am aware of is worthy of the effort that is being put into the fund raising. Notwithstanding this there are still over 120 people in need of affordable housing. If those making the donations truly believe that there is an urgent need to solve the affordable housing "problem" should they not be refocusing their thoughts on how their donations will make this happen?

Being thoroughly confused by what I see at the Municipal level of Government when it comes to the "affordability problem" I decided to find out what the Provincial and the Federal levels are doing to resolve the issue. Much to my surprise there is activity and quite a bit of money being spent.

Here is what I found out: The Province is working on a long term housing strategy "to make it easier for Ontario families to find and maintain affordable housing." This strategy is scheduled for release in 2010.

The Province held hearings in Lindsay on 17th. September 2009, to seek views on what the strategy for 1 above should be. I do not know if Haliburton County made a presentation.

Together with its Municipal and Federal partners the Province has under a 2005 program created or has under construction 15,059 units of affordable housing as of 27th. September 2010. 3,185 of these units come under the home ownership component of the program. The goal of the plan is for 20,000 units to be built and for at least \$734,000,000 to be invested in the projects.

Haliburton County residents may be eligible to receive funding under the ownership component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program -2009 extension. A household income beneath \$51,200 is a key part of the qualification procedure.

In 2009, Ontario allocated a combined Federal and Provincial investment of \$704,000,000 for the renovation of social housing and \$540,000,000 for the construction of new and affordable housing.

The Province announced on 6th. August 2009 that the Haliburton Community Housing Corporation will receive \$914,912

as part of a notional allocation of \$2,300,000 to Kawartha Lakes to repair and retrofit existing local social housing units.

On 11th. September 2009 25 new affordable rental units were opened in Fenelon Falls. This project received \$1,750,000 in funding from Canada and Ontario.

On 8th. September 2010 18 new affordable housing rental units for persons with disabilities was opened in Lindsay. This was a \$2,160,000 project funded by Canada/Ontario assisted by \$527,698 in municipal financial incentives.

The Kawartha Lakes - Haliburton Housing Corporation Board has nine Directors: Bill Davis, Murray Fearrey and Eleanor Harrison represent Haliburton. The other Directors represent the City of Kawartha Lakes.

The other part of the puzzle when you look at the affordability issue is the Official Plan that the Province mandates the Municipalities to create. Within these plans the Province mandates that they include provision for Community Improvement Plans. Within Dysart for example Harcourt, West Guilford and Eagle Lake are designated for Community Improvement Plans. To further guide the Municipalities on what should be in these plans the Province has a 30 page guide. If you read this guide you will see that the Province finds it acceptable for affordable housing to be part of these plans. In a 2006 presentation Dysart Council was asked to consider activating the plan for Eagle Lake. It took no action. In 2009 I asked it to activate the Plans for Harcourt, West Guilford and Eagle Lake so that the incoming Council would have a framework to build on during their four year term. Dysart responded that it did not have the resources to act on this in 2009.

Within Eagle Lake there are at least four sites that could be considered as suitable for affordable housing. I can think of one in West Guilford.

It is difficult to say what is the impact of the decisions taken by our elected representatives over the last four years on those seeking affordable housing. My feeling is that they have not been as helpful as they could have been. I also see a glorious opportunity lost when I read this extract from a Provincial Press release:

"On March 20, 2009, the province announced an investment of \$622 million to match funding announced in the federal government's 2009 budget. This brings the overall total investment for affordable housing in Ontario to \$1.2 billion.

Over the next two years, the province will invest:

\$704 million to repair social housing units and make them more energy efficient under the Social Housing Renovation and Retrofit Program (SHRRP).

\$540 million to extend the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program (AHP), known as the AHP Extension (2009), which includes funding for rental units for seniors and persons with disabilities."

"The SHRRP and AHP Extension (2009) are two-year programs that end on March 31, 2011.

Funding under both programs will be provided for each year (2009/10 and 2010/11) and is offered on a strict "use it or lose it" basis.

Funding that is uncommitted by each fiscal year-end will lapse. Therefore, funding approved during Year 1 and Year 2 will need to be committed (funding agreement signed) by March 31st of each year."

Peter McLuskey

Eagle Lake ■

The Outsider

■ By Will Jones

Calling the shots

As the sun rises over a saw-tooth silhouette of pines on the horizon the only sound is the crunch of frosty ground underfoot. The bowed and broken autumn grasses are dusted in sparkling white, and the air, though still, is charged with anticipation as the hunter treads carefully, rifle broken over the crook of his arm. But this hunter is not clad in high visibility jacket and orange cap. No, he favours tweed. A waistcoat and matching breeches teamed with claret knee-length socks and contrasting yellow garters. His weapon of choice is not a Browning nor Winchester but a rifle by James Purdey & Sons of London.

Yes, this is the rarefied world of hunting, English style; a sport at which only the very rich, very rural and very rural rich partake. Whether shooting pheasant, grouse or deer, these individuals have either paid handsomely for the privilege, or are lucky enough (and by that I mean born into the upper class) to own land on which they can engage in the slaughter of wee beasties. Ne'er the hoi polloi be allowed to pop the merest partridge!

For the English proletariat the word hunting is one more commonly attributed to searching for a new house or retail bargain. And believe me both of these activities are potentially as dangerous as venturing into the countryside with a loaded weapon.

When house hunting, the individual soon realises that they are the prey, rather than pursuer, as multiple estate agents (realtors) attempt to sweet-talk or brow beat them into parting with stupendously large amounts of cash for a home smaller than the average bunkie over here. And, if you've ever been gazumped you'll know the wound is jagged edged and slow to heal.

Bargain hunting, meanwhile, is downright lethal if you happen to be caught in a stampede such as was witnessed on London's Oxford Street, recently. In a story entitled, Battle of Primark, the Independent Newspaper reported: "Public order broke down on London's main shopping street yesterday as hundreds of bargain hunters scrambled into the new Primark store mistakenly thinking there was a half-price sale.

"Managers were forced to bring forward the official opening of the shop because of the crush developing on the pavement outside. As doors opened, shoppers tumbled over each other to be first to the bargains and fights broke out as they jostled for space. Primark's management later confirmed that a security guard and shop manager had been injured in the melee."

Fights! Between members of the fairer sex, no less! A jaunt into central London with my beloved for an afternoon of carefree retail therapy would never be the same again. I still shudder at the thought of being trampled underfoot by a herd of marauding bargain hunters.

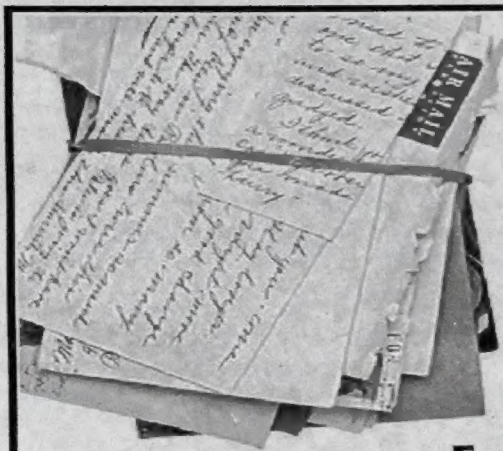
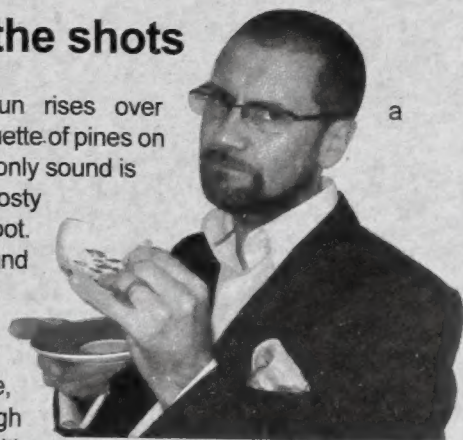
But back to the real hunt. Canadians, by their very nature, are less concerned about the nuances of the class system and more interested in getting outdoors and having fun. And hunting it seems is a big part of that.

The romantic ideal of stalking a proud stag over field and glen in the first light of a frosty morn' has been crushed somewhat by the roar of ATVs and my misty eyed musings of a titanic battle of wit and guile between man and beast tarnished by the knowledge that the trick is to feed the deer for weeks beforehand.

However, where the aforementioned English gentry are renowned for going on organised slaughters; taking down 100 birds and then having some poor serf discard of them in a hole in the ground without even smacking their lips at the thought of pheasant a la bohemienne or Highland grouse cakes, the Canadian philosophy is by and large one of kill it eat it, and, what you can't eat share with your friends - twas with just such generosity that I was introduced to the wonders of moose, recently (I thank you Janine and Josh).

There are those against hunting both here and in England. And, in my native land I'd happily join with protesters to halt the excessive and wholly wasteful slaughter undertaken by the British aristocracy all in the name of fun. Here, however, in this young land, far less riddled with the pomposity of empire, if a fellow wishes to bag a white tail for the freezer I say good luck old chap.

And if there is any to spare, get in touch! ■



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Single vehicle accident sends passenger to Sunnybrook

The passenger in a single vehicle accident on Livingston Lake Rd. near Dorset on Tuesday afternoon was sent to Huntsville Hospital and then transported by air ambulance to Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto in serious condition. Tire marks could be seen where the Chevrolet Cobalt left the road before striking the hydro pole and the OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigators assisted in the investigation. Members of the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services also attended the scene. The OPP now says that the driver, 24-year-old Fernando Peters of Aylmer, Ontario, has now been charged with dangerous driving causing bodily harm. Hydro workers, who were in the area conducting routine work, were seen giving statements to OPP. Peters will appear in Minden court on Jan. 5, 2011.

Photo by Mark Arike

Lions roar in to rescue Good Food Box program

By Laura Redman

The Haliburton and District Lion's Club have roared to the rescue of the Good Food Box program.

Mary Lawr, longtime Lion's club member, has agreed to be the new coordinator for the monthly food box program with support from the Lion's Club members. The Good Food Box program has been operating in Haliburton County since 2001, initially coordinated by the YWCA, and then taken over by the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR) in 2005. But the health unit could no longer coordinate the program after this month, and after nine years, the Good Food Box was threatened with being shut down.

"We're very very happy that they're taking it on and that the program is going to continue," said Megan Stong, public health food worker at the health unit. "Everybody that benefits from the program is going to continue to benefit."

The coordinator organizes the program, collects orders, recruits and trains volunteers, communicates with the 15 community coordinators in outlying areas, problem solves, collects and administers the funds and organizes a volunteer appreciation event.

Rosie Kadwell, health unit staff dietitian, said she was pleased to see the 30 people who came out to the Good Food Box community meeting she hosted on Monday morning at the Health Unit.

"I was also pleased to see the number of people volunteering to sit on the new steering committee for the program, because they're supporting the Haliburton and District Lions Club and helping to guarantee the successful future of this valuable community program."

Lawr was already the Wilberforce community contact for the Good Food Box.

"I just couldn't see it going by the wayside," Lawr said. "So, I called my brother who is past president of the Lion's club and he said, 'Take it to the club.'"

James Lawr, Mary's son and current club president, was also at the meeting on Monday.

"It's nice to be doing something besides barbecues and it's nice to be able to give back to the community and help out," James said. "It's what we do. And apparently we're the best kept secret there is – a recent survey showed that the Lion's are more well-known than McDonald's, but when asked what we do, nobody knows. We're the largest service organization in the world."

Mary pointed out that while her family is happy to get involved, the entire Lion's club was supportive.

"After Rosie came and spoke at the Lion's Club, the club voted wholeheartedly in favour of taking over the program. It's important for the community to know that this is not a money-maker for the Lion's Club – our motto is 'we serve' – and this is a service we're providing to the community."

Kadwell took the group through a history of the Good Food Box program and described the many facets and volunteers involved.

"No one agency owns the program, it takes many hands to make it work, and work smoothly," Kadwell explained. "It's basically a non-profit, bulk-purchasing food program offering either boxes or bags of fresh, high-quality produce that's delivered to 15 areas around the County each month. And it's universal – it's not a charity program. It's open to everybody."

Boxes are delivered to all four corners of the County and into Kinmount in the City of Kawartha Lakes. One well-received suggestion made at the Monday meeting included buying Good Food Boxes as Christmas gifts with available gift certificates.

While the \$15 price tag on the box of food just covers the \$18-25 value it contains, one dollar from every box sold goes back to support the program, so the more people participating, the more effective the program can eventually be.

Good Food Boxes are ordered through regional coordinators and are packed and delivered on the third Thursday of the month – people pick up their boxes in their own community. The December boxes must be ordered by December 7 for a December 16 delivery date. For more information, contact Mary Lawr at 448-1128. ■



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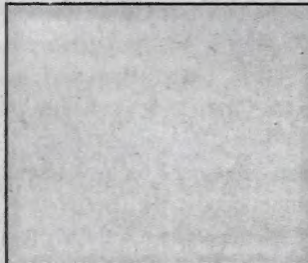
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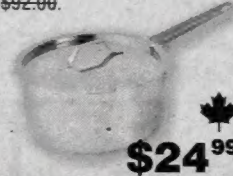
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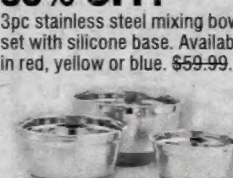
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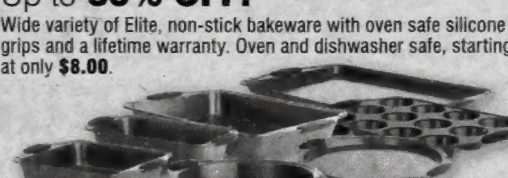
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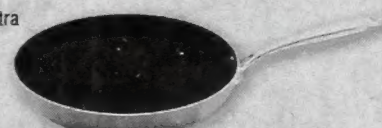


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Festival of Banners Tight Race: Winners Announced

The votes are in and although it was a tight race, the winners have been declared.

Cattail Pond has taken the top position in the people's choice awards of the adult section of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners. The painting by Elisha Barlow features a silhouetted black, white and shimmering blue scene of a marsh.

There was tie for second place in the adult category with Carolyn Stewart's The Fisherman and Sebastian Renel's Return to Stardust capturing an equal number of votes. The Fisherman showed a heron, decked out in fishing gear angling for supper. Renel's Stardust caught a dancer swirling through the cosmos.

Third spot was also a tie with Dawn Piercy's realistic presentation of a Horned Puffin and Susan I. Bennett's whimsical banner depicting two colourful Giraffes in a painting she called Envined.

There was a single first place finisher in the children's category. Top spot went to Beth Foster for her painting of the Dragon Rider. Two students share second place. Curran Chambers for his banner called Dragon and Shae MacNaull for her painting entitled Mermaid Under the Deep Blue Sea.

Six students were tied for third place. They included: Margaret Skinner for Worm on Stilts; Adrien Petric with a banner entitled Future; Denver Allore for his banner The Magical Aliens; Jaxson Campbell banner he called Lady Moose; Kathryn Christian for her banner Friendly; and Mieke Danilko for Tinkerbelle in this Town.

All the people's choice winners receive a cash prize. The children's prizes will be presented at Archie Stouffer Elementary School before Christmas. At that time the banners will be returned to the students.

The adult banners are currently up for sale in a silent auction which will end on Sunday, November 28 at 3 p.m. Bids are currently being taken at The Organic Times store, 134 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden. On the last day of the sale, the banners will be on display at the Royal Canadian



Legion Branch 636 for final bidding. The sale ends at 3 p.m. sharp.

Funds raised through the sale of the banners will assist with next year's Minden Hills Festival of Banners. Everyone is welcome to submit a design for consideration. Next year's theme is "Mother Goose...on the Loose". Entry forms and instructions can be picked up from the Organic Times.

For more information contact Jack Brezina: 705-286-1958; kevker@sympatico.ca or Deborah Lyons at 705-286-1424. ■

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Highlands East Municipal Summary

By Liz Danielsen

Ward report raises eyebrows

While two of the three outgoing members of council chose to offer their congratulations to the new council, voice their appreciation of staff and thank their supporters during their years of service, there were two Councillors who chose to take a bit of a stand at their last meeting.

Councillor Donna Graham, acknowledging that it would not be her decision, first recommended that the new Council nominate Ward 2 Councillor Suzanne Partridge as the next Deputy Reeve. Council received the suggestion as information.

Referring to discussions held at the last meeting about the financial losses suffered by Horseshoe Days, Graham then said, "I want it on the record that I had absolutely nothing to do with the loss of \$14,000 for the Gooderham Horseshow Days. I was not involved in any of the decision making and I want to make that clear."

Deputy Reeve voices concerns over fire department

Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie, saying that he had received a request from two members of Dyno Estates, questioned the status of the fire truck at the Station 6 Firehall on Highway 28.

"It does not appear to be in service," he said. He reported that residents had been advised by both the Fire Chief and the Reeve that the fire truck was on site and in service, but Mackie suggested that the truck had just been parked there and could not actually be used.

Mackie questioned whether the truck was in working order or not and where it was located. "People want to know about that and rightly so, but apparently they are getting stonewalled. I said four years ago there is a problem with management at that station and I'm saying it again.

"You need a new Station Commander or to combine Stations 2 (Highland Grove) and 6, so there are people that actually give a s**t about the residents in Paudash Lake, Eels Lake and Dyno Estates," he said.

"We must make this a viable department. Residents were promised by me and by the Reeve in the previous campaign and there has been stuff about this again during this election. The hall is being used for nothing even when there are people that want to be firefighters there. We knew that four years ago and nothing has changed."

Mackie has insisted numerous times that none of the halls be closed and rejected recommendations by a consultant to consolidate the firehalls (although the consultant had actually recommended consolidation of Station 1 (Cardiff) and Station 6.)

It is also not the first time that concerns have been raised about Station 6 not being manned or equipped adequately. Barry Dickinson, one of the candidates for Ward 1 Councillor, voiced similar concerns during an all candidates forum in Cardiff.

Councillor Gary Stoughton commented that both Stations were

being covered by the same people and Mackie agreed.

Mackie said, "I have been up front about how things are and I'm ashamed for a council that has allowed this. If any member of the press would like to meet me (at Station 6) I will pull the vehicle out and show you the shape of equipment in that hall."

Despite having purchased four new trucks over the last several years the department has been plagued with problems with one of the new trucks since the day it arrived. The truck was returned several times to the manufacturer and the problem has only been resolved in the last several weeks.

When asked for confirmation about the condition and location of the truck that Mackie referred to, Reeve Dave Burton confirmed that while it is stationed at the hall on Highway 28, he had been advised that it was out of service. Burton, sounding a bit frustrated, commented that it was more important to find someone to actually drive the truck.

Despite comments by Mackie that there were volunteers ready to join the department and work out of Station 6, both Burton and Chief Bill Wingrove said that finding sufficient volunteers had been problematic.

"We've had trouble getting people to man that station and the problem persists."

Wingrove confirmed that the truck was scheduled for repairs this week but would be used for training purposes only and when required to back up Station 1 in Cardiff. He also voiced some concern about coverage at that end of the municipality and said, "People are under the impression that they have protection from that firehall, when in fact they don't."

"The truck itself is a non issue. We went through a lot of work to ensure that our members are licensed to drive the trucks, but there isn't anyone at that station. We had the same problem in Tory Hill, and unless we get more people, we may have to consider closing Station 6.

Meanwhile, Wingrove said that despite hearing that there are people interested in joining the department, he hasn't been able to find any. Wingrove plans to hold another recruitment drive to determine the actual level of interest that locals have in becoming a volunteer and helping to resolve this ongoing problem.

Building on the rise in Highlands East

Even though there were a litany of concerns raised about the Building Department in Highlands East during the course of the recent election and fears voiced by Council that people are being discouraged from building, Chief Building Official Randy Dunsmore had some fairly impressive numbers to report to the Council at its meeting of November 9th.

Dunsmore reported that 175 permits had been issued this year so far, which represented 26 more than last year during the same period. Dunsmore said, "There are a lot of small projects as well, making this a very busy year."

According to Dunsmore 38 orders had been issued about illegal construction. He said, "This is an ongoing problem in the area," and added that there had been a similar number of orders issued last year. In addition to orders about illegal construction, Dun-

smore reported that there had been 91 compliance letters sent out on zoning issues.

"There have been 720 site inspections this year, covering over 26,000 kilometres," he said, an indication of the work load of the department.

Dunsmore advised council that by the end of the summer he had come up with the idea of a comment card to get feedback from both builders and residents. He also said that within the next month he would have some comments to pass on to council.

This year to date the construction value in Highlands East is approximately \$7.5 million dollars, slightly higher than last year. Dunsmore said that he anticipated a busy fall which would bring the numbers up even more.

Owner frustrated with development approval process

Maryanne Leach is frustrated with the permitting process required to establish her son's take-out food establishment on her property in Gooderham.

Last month the council gave the nod to temporary rezoning of the property pending receipt of approval of a commercial access to the property from the highway and a site plan agreement.

Clerk Irene Cook confirmed that the municipality had received a letter from the County indicating that Leach would be given an entrance permit, but added that it would be subject to rezoning of the property. Cook also advised council that the municipality's planner had prepared a draft site development agreement.

Leach, who was present at the meeting, asked for and was given permission to address council. She said, "This seems to be going back and forth far too much."

She also said that the planner had not contacted her when preparing the site plan agreement. "I did all the running around so that the County would approve this and now we have to get the zoning first. Everything was pushed ahead for this meeting. Now there is another step required and no one has been in touch with me."

Cook assured Leach that council was required to approve the draft site plan agreement before it went forward for approval by by-law at a subsequent meeting.

Leach suggested that the planner was creating a 'make work project.' "This goes on and on," she said. She also argued about the need for the number of parking spaces being required saying that a lesser number had been agreed upon at an earlier meeting.

Councillor Suzanne Partridge advised Leach that while council had given their approval in principle, legally the project could not go forward without the appropriate zoning and documentation.

Leach said that she had originally been advised that the zoning could not be done without the County's approval of the entrance and now she cannot get the entrance without the zoning. "I'm trying to understand why we have to keep revisiting this."

Partridge commented that the process could be frustrating for everyone involved but, getting right to the point, councillor Gary Stoughton said, "I don't believe there is a problem, but we have to follow the process whether you like it or not." ■

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Dysart et al Municipal Summary

By Liz Danielsen

Thanking our soldiers

The Dysart et al Council stepped away from its traditional format during their meeting of November 8th to honour area soldiers for their service in war torn countries. The council spent a few quiet moments as it listened to Julian Austin's 'For the Red and White' and watched a film presented by Bill Beatty's son David, who along with 2600 other Canadian armed forces is still deployed in Afghanistan.

The film showed many of the members of the Canadian Task Force 1-10. Mr. Beatty, a long-time Haliburton Lake resident and Maple Syrup producer asked all present to contact their MP to tell him to forget about keeping any Canadian troops in Afghanistan.

2009 financial statements approved

Robert Fisher of Collins Barrow Kawartha LLP presented Council with their 2009 financial statements for approval.

As with other municipalities, Fisher reported that Dysart's statements are now presented in a totally different format to conform to the Public Sector Accounting Board's requirements which call for an inventory of all capital assets, their value and remaining useful life.

Fisher assured council that the impact on the tax rates was nil and the financial statements were now much more like that of a commercial enterprise. "The total assets that you are overseeing have an approximate \$25 million dollar net value," he said.

Fisher, commenting that the amortization of capital assets should not go below 50 percent of the total amount invested, suggested that there could be an indication of a problem with maintenance of roads and bridges. But he also said, "There are a lot of variables, and the roads could last sixty years given the maintenance on them."

He commented that at this point the values placed on capital assets were estimates only and would be revised over time.

Total financial assets were valued at \$4.8 million dollars. Taxes receivable were up one and a half percent to 8.93 percent, but Fisher said that this was still well below the ministry's threshold of 10 percent and many municipalities far exceed that threshold.

"Overall," Fisher said, "You're where you planned to be with the exception of grants not anticipated at the beginning of the year."

Because the change in reporting took place after the initial budget was set, Fisher said he would be providing council with a report that would reconcile the numbers back to their initial budget figures."

Reeve Fearrey said, "The bottom line is that we're not in bad shape," and Fisher agreed.

Hydro One Grant Facilitates Skateboard Equipment Purchase

A successful Hydro One grant application has facilitated the purchase of \$10,000 worth of skateboard park equipment.

Ray Miscio, Parks and Recreation Manager recommended various pieces of equipment that would be included in a 'do it yourself' kit for the park, but council was at a bit of a loss about the exact pieces of equipment that would be the most appropriate. An agreement was reached that Miscio should speak with a number of the youth that use the skateboard park about what is most appropriate to order.

Another round of grand applications is being accepted by Hydro One's Power Play program up until January 31st and

the council has authorized staff to proceed with an application (up to a total of \$25,000) to improve the municipality's refrigeration system.

Upcoming zoning considerations

Council has agreed that regulations for outdoor wood burning furnaces will be incorporated into the municipality's new zoning by-law when it is reviewed and amended next year.

This issue has been discussed numerous times at council meetings over the past year and a half and By-Law Enforcement Officer Matthew Aldom has advised that the primary problem is that most of these types of appliances have a low stack height as well as a slow burn rate and they are often used as waste incinerators. With the low stack height this has an impact on adjacent properties causing potential health risks.

Aldom referred council to various sections in the Municipal Act that give the authority to regulate the use and installation of outdoor wood burning furnaces. He also provided sample regulations from a number of surrounding municipalities for reference, providing suggestions about minimum lot sizes, setback requirements and the zones within which the furnaces are allowed.

Council agreed that despite the fact that regulating the units would likely create some backlash, it was something they will consider during the upcoming zoning by-law review.

In addition to considering outdoor wood burning furnaces, council will also consider including fencing restrictions in the municipality's zoning by-law.

Concerns were raised by residents on Benoir Lake about an 8 foot fence that was built on an adjacent property which effectively blocked their view of the lake. According to Planner Pat Martin, the fence was built right down to the high water mark and Reeve Fearrey inquired whether that included the shore road allowance.

Martin said that portions of Benoir Lake have no shore road allowance. Martin agreed to review the situation and report back to council.

According to Councillor Steve Pogue the standard maximum height for fencing of a side yard in Ontario is 6 feet at the most.

Council agreed that, while it could likely do little about this particular fence, a review of the zoning by-law would include consideration of height restrictions for fencing and whether fencing should be allowed on the shoreline at all.

Disappointment Voiced in Algonquin Highlands' Decision

The issue of boat houses and in particular whether wet slip boathouses should be allowed has been a hot one during the recent review of both the Dysart et al and Algonquin Highlands Official Plans

While Dysart has maintained their position that no further wet slip boathouses will be allowed on any lake, and particularly on Kawagama Lake, they were extremely disappointed to find that the regulations in Algonquin Highlands will remain the same and that wet slip boathouses will still be considered under specific restrictions on Kawagama.

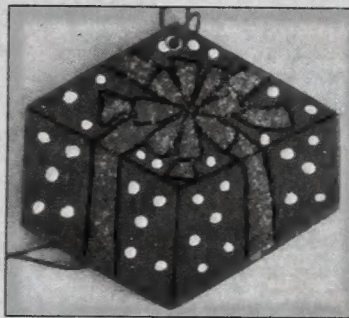
Reeve Murray Fearrey voiced his disappointment that different regulations would apply on the same lake. He noted that, "Apparently Algonquin Highlands and Dysart are not on the same page with respect to this matter."

Planner Pat Martin reassured council that there was good reason for Dysart to maintain their restrictions as the east end of the lake is the least developed and would be the most impacted. ■



Tis the season

President of the United Church Women at Minden United Church Pat Thomette helped organize the annual Church Bazaar and luncheon last Friday. Tomorrow, the St. Paul's Anglican Church in Minden hosts their annual Christmas bazaar and luncheon.



Christmas cheer

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St. Margaret's celebrates 90 years

By Laura Redman

Many say that church is not just about the building – church is about the people within.

St. Margaret's Anglican Church in Wilberforce is celebrating its 90th anniversary on December 12, and members of the area community will join together within its walls on that day for a special anniversary service with Christmas Carols, starting at 4 p.m.

Within the narthex (vestibule) of St. Margaret's, stands a Christmas tree covered in hand-knitted mittens – some intended for local school children. On the walls are notice boards of upcoming events and plaques honouring some of the past prominent or longstanding members – Sylvia Cameron, Evelyn Perry, Bruce Gibbs, Rev. George Meades.

A series of pictures on a placemat designed for the church's 75th anniversary, show the church in various stages of development – from the original building – a former bunkhouse for loggers who worked at the Speers and Lauder Lumber Company – through the various additions of a bell tower and the old narthex – now enlarged in the modern-day structure.

It was an early Anglican minister who originally acquired the building from the logging company, and a student minister who helped the church acquire the land where the church still sits at 2323 Loop Road, right next to the public school. The bunkhouse was moved to the site by using giant rollers, blocks and pulleys and two horses – and the first service performed at St. Margaret's was on December 12, 1920.

"That's what we're now celebrating," said Hilda Clark, lifelong parishioner and former church warden. "But there was an Anglican presence here for many, many years before that. There was a former church out in what is now a ghost town, Cheddar – out the Dyno Road (the road that joins Highways 118 and 28) – that's where the original pews came from."

Like many families in the Wilberforce community, Clark's roots are deep – her uncle William Hughey was the former owner of the land on which St. Margaret's now sits – at the farthest north-east corner of the Toronto Diocese.

The church's namesake – St. Margaret – dedicated her life to serving her church community and orphan children. A mother of eight, Margaret was a Scottish queen, born in 1046. Queen Margaret was formally educated – unusual for a woman in that era – and she became a reformist within the Church of Scotland, promoting Easter communion and abstinence from work on Sundays. But Margaret was also known for her work with the poor and orphans and is the only known saint who was a married woman.

According to Clark, St. Margaret's was apparently named by a meeting of Anglican Church ladies in Wilberforce. And in keeping with St. Margaret's dedication to children, on Tuesday, the current Anglican Church Women (ACW) of St. Margaret's hosted a free luncheon, designed for the children who attend the Wilberforce Public School. Calling it a celebration of the new school structure that has turned Wilberforce Elementary School into Grade Four to Eight, Clark, produced personal invitations for the children, handwriting in each of the 60-odd names.

Sitting in the basement lunchroom, near the newly renovated kitchen, Clark describes the rummage sale that for many years, perpetually occupied the space that is now able to accommodate gatherings – like the one on Tuesday.

Flo Taylor is nearby in the kitchen helping prepare for Tuesday's lunch, and she wanders into the conversation.

"Don't forget to mention it's always been a family church, generation after generation," Taylor says. "I was confirmed her in



This stained glass rendition of St. Margaret, a Scottish Queen known for her kindness to the poor and to orphan children, was designed by Wendy Ladurantaye for the church's 75th anniversary. St. Margaret's Church in Wilberforce is now celebrating their 90th anniversary with a special service on Dec. 12.

1948, married here in 1954, my kids were christened here in '61, '63 and '67. And my husband was buried from here from 2000. So I guess that's about as family as you can get."

Clark has also been attending St. Margaret's for most of her life – and even when she lived away, Clark would return faithfully to her home church in Wilberforce. And maybe that's most fitting – Clark dedicated her own life to teaching children and even ran a Vacation Bible School at St. Margaret's for several years.

But attending church is not just about religion, Clark says. For her, it was also a social, gathering place, and her family often attended the United or Anglican churches – and sometimes, both. Her grandfather was an original founder in the Wilberforce United Church – before his death from the flu in 1890.

"So there's always been a back and forth, between the congregations. A lot of social events revolved around the church."

As a child, Clark remembers one detail in particular about the church – a wondrous gas-type light that was pulled down from the ceiling.

"I have no idea what the gas was, but there were chains that could be reached to pull the light down and a long stick to light it with," Clark remembers. "It gave quite a light, and had this

strange, gassy smell – but in my childhood, that's my most vivid memory – this special fancy light in the ceiling."

As for ministers, it's Mr. Urquhart and his Jeep that stand out in Clark's memory.

"He was the boy scout leader," Clark said. "He also organized the building of the rectory and coached local hockey teams. There's one picture of him with one of those long fur coats. He'd make three trips driving back and forth to take us all where we needed to be in that Jeep."

When Clark was a child, she said St. Margaret's always had an evening service – with good reason – the same minister would be at four or five area churches throughout the day – returning 'home' to Wilberforce at day's end.

But Clark said maybe the most prominent factor in the history of the church has been the change of ministers over the years – like many smaller churches in Ontario, there has been high turnover of clergy.

Elsie Lewis is the current organist at the church – she said for some parishioners, losing a much-loved minister can be very difficult.

"Every time a minister has been here for a while and then gets moved or wants to move, it's 'Oh, what are we gonna do, we just really loved him and he really understood us' and all this kind of thing and you'd think everything was going to fall apart," Lewis said.

Clark said that women as priests has been a big adjustment for many people as well – but points out that the church always had 'deaconesses' who couldn't be ordained in those days, but they would carry on services.

The church has now been served by several women congregational leaders, including the current one, Reverend Canon Anne Moore. Moore arrived in Haliburton County 18 months ago and divides her time between St. George's in Haliburton village and St. Margaret's.

A former farm kid from the Napanee area, Moore understands rural life – but living north, as she calls it, is totally new.

"There aren't bears or moose where I come from, so that's quite a change," Moore said. "But I love it here, and I don't plan on leaving any time soon."

Moore enjoys being in the small village settings that Haliburton County offers and being part of the ecumenical community.

The distance to St. Margaret's from Haliburton presents its challenges, but Moore said she relies on the parishioners to help keep her up to date on where to be.

"I love what I do," Moore said. "I love being a minister. It's a marvelous calling. I set out to be a teacher years ago and never quite got there, but now what I'm doing is teaching – a different sort of teaching, but teaching all the same."

Moore spoke to the 'loonie lunches' they put on several times a year in Wilberforce.

"We do soup and bread and all kinds of desserts and all of the community comes out," Moore said. "It's not a fundraiser, but it helps people be part of the community."

Moore said one of the pieces she loves most about the small community is hearing peoples' stories.

"It's so spectacular," Moore said. "The stories are so important. This anniversary is so important to the community, it has to be important to me, so we need to tell those stories. That's how we can keep the memories alive so that we can build on the past, and have a future together."

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Gallery holds contest to design new logo

By Mark Arike

The Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre in Haliburton has no distinctive logo to reflect its current and important role as a cultural centre in the community – but through a recently announced contest that's about to change.

"It's the next logical step to take," said Laurie Jones, executive director of the gallery. "Over the past five years, since our renovations, we've established a higher profile in the arts community."

Located in Haliburton's heritage railway station since 1980, the Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre is a "contemporary expression of the rich cultural heritage of the region," according to its web site.

The gallery is home to: many exhibitions that feature local and out-of-town artists, arts programs for all ages and major events like the annual Haliburton Art & Craft Festival.

The gallery has had logos in the past and currently has one – a clipart locomotive – but as Jones puts it, it's been a bit of a "mish-mash" situation.

Jones first approached the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) with her plans to rebrand the gallery.

"I wanted to revision the look of the whole place and do a marketing plan," she said.

She was successful in obtaining funds, but not enough to fulfill her vision.

She went back to the drawing board and came up with the idea to have a logo competition.

"I thought that if we have a competition we could take a portion of our artsVest funds and offer a \$1,000 prize," explained Jones. artsVest is a matching incentive program run by Business for the Arts.

Since first spreading news of the logo contest at the Arts Council's annual general meeting, Jones has sent out mass emails to gallery members, other local organizations and every community college across the province.

"What we're hoping to get is a nice, clean, life-long design," said Jones of what can be a logo or word mark.

Once all submissions are received, a three-person jury will review each and come to a decision.

In addition to awarding the winner with a \$1,000, a monetary contribution from the HCDC will cover the cost of hiring a graphic designer to make any necessary final touch-ups and incorporate the design into the gallery's promotional materials.

"That's great because it means that the best idea might not have the perfect lines, but conceptually, it might be the perfect thing," said Jones. The deadline for entries is Saturday, Jan. 15 at 4 p.m.

Entry guidelines and the application form can be downloaded off the Rails End Gallery web site at www.railsendgallery.com. For further information, call Laurie at 705-457-2330.



The Reverend Canon Anne Moore has been in the Haliburton Parish serving St. George's and St. Margaret's Anglican Churches for the last 18 months. She is standing here in front of St. Margaret's in Wilberforce on Monday after a meeting to organize the December 12 special service commemorating the church's 90th anniversary.

Special Carol service on December 12

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The Carol service on December 12 will feature a performance by Bethany Houghton, traditional Christmas Carols, and anthems sung by members of St. Margaret's as well as the United Church and some members from St. George's as well – a long-standing tradition in the community – however that service is usually held in the United Church because it's a larger church. "We'll be a bit crowded but it will be good," Moore said. Clark said the church has seen many different influences over the years.

"We've had a lot of different influences, a lot of people who have come through – the summer people who come, the cottagers. The lay readers who often start the service before the minister arrives from the church in Haliburton."

But for all the change, the purpose stays the same. "We're still here to worship God and reach out to the community," Clark said. Lewis speaks up.

"And God must want us here, because he keeps us going, because even when we don't have very many people coming and we think, 'Oh what are we going to do?' And then someone new will come and we'll have some new faces and it will build up again. God gives and he takes away, but then He gives some more."

Clark sums up her feelings about St. Margaret's. "It's so much a part of me, I don't know how to put it into words," Clark said. "It's the people that make up the congregation, but somehow by looking after the building – the physical structure – and providing a place of worship, it's all connected."

We've had a whole variety of leaders – some very evangelical – some more traditional – but it's the people that are here that matter – their worshipping, and their being part of the community."■



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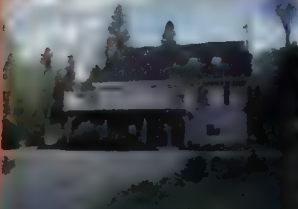


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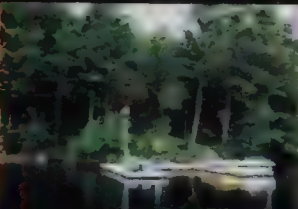


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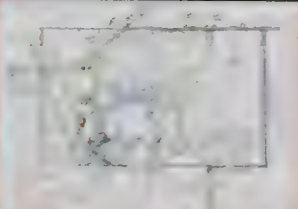


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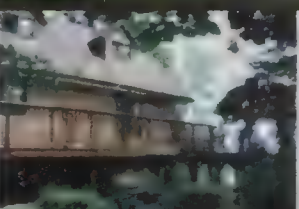


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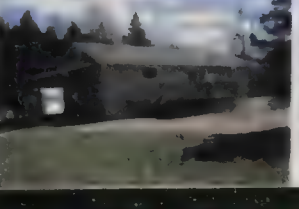


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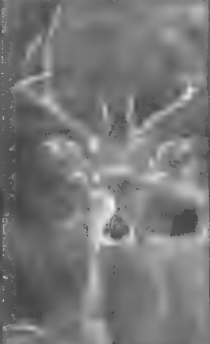
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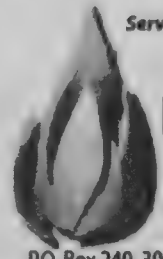
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Local developers help shelter YWCA

Sheltering women from the storm is what the YWCA is all about, but creating shelters is what the folks from Pine Ridge Estates understand.

The developers of Pine Ridge Estates, Gino Capozzoli, Claudio Bortolussi and Gustavo Rojas, along with six helpers recently donated the shingles and time to reshingle part of the roof of the YWCA Women's Centre as a donation to the centre.

"We were approached earlier this year by Laura Redman (former YWCA resource development coordinator) one rainy day, and she was in search of a reliable contractor to strip and re-shingle a deteriorating roof section of the YWCA building in Minden," said Bortolussi.

"We volunteered to do the work as a donation to the YWCA to help the needy women and children of Haliburton."

Bortolussi said that when they examined the roof, they found that inadequate ventilation had caused the existing roof to deteriorate quickly, so they solved that problem by also installing a ridge vent as well.

The job took nine men and six hours of labour on Saturday, October 16 to install the 30-year IKO fiberglass shingles, with an estimated donation of \$4,500. The job also required the dismantling and reassembly of a neighbouring fence – and the resulting clean-up.

"This gift represents more than a roof, because it provides a safe place for us to deliver programs to women in the community," said Lynn Zimmer, executive director of the YWCA Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton.

Daisy Downs, administrative assistant for the YWCA Women's Centre in Minden, said she was thrilled with the donation.

"When I drove by that day and saw the guys up on the roof, knowing they were donating their time to us, I was brought to tears."

Bortolussi said that although they're a small company, and they're very busy with their own projects, but he felt it was important to contribute to the community – especially to the YWCA.

"We're building a community here and we feel it's important to contribute to the local community, so it was a pleasure for us to contribute our time, and our charity work for a cause that doesn't get as much recognition as it should," Bortolussi said.



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Photo by Laura Redman

"In fact, that was all the better for us to be even more enthused, because if it's not getting recognized, then it's like, 'Okay, we'll step in.' And we hope that others will now also step in and help out this valuable organization."

Cynthia Bortolussi is part of the management team at Highland Park Homes, and actually instigated the roof project she talked to staff at the YWCA Women's Centre.

"I learned what the YWCA is all about and the work they do. After that, I went back to the office and it wasn't about how much money we could donate, it became about, 'What is the true need here... what will put a smile on their faces,'" said Cynthia.

"When they showed me the report of a roofing job that needed

to be done this spring, even though it was more financially than what we would have given, the work was worth more to me than the money," said Cynthia.

"Having a proper roof is like having a foundation and without foundation, you cannot grow. The roof will also keep the people that the YWCA helps warm and dry, and that is more meaningful than just giving the organization some money. I'm glad that the boys found the right time and the budget to do the job."

"We're very grateful that you've done this," said Sarah Adams, current resource development coordinator at YWCA, as she shook hands with the Pine Ridge Estates development team last week. ■

Open call for Guardian angels

Calling all angels...

The YWCA Women's Centre will once again be holding a Guardian Angel Awards ceremony – with a difference. This year, members of the community can nominate a woman who has made a difference in the lives of other women in Haliburton County – a 'guardian angel'.

The awards event – which includes a discussion panel, entertainment and a free luncheon – will take place on Monday, Dec. 6, the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women from noon to 1 p.m. at Fleming

College's Great Hall.

To nominate a woman for a 'Guardian Angel' award, please send the name of the nominee, a description of why she is being nominated and her contact information to Sarah Adams at sadamsywcahal@bellnet.ca or drop off the information to Adams at the YWCA Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton County Resource Development office inside the Haliburton Chamber of Commerce office at 5 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden, Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. before noon on November 22. ■

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Author reveals the challenges of telling her story

By Mark Arike

When people call Judy Fong Bates a "late bloomer" she corrects them.

"I was not so much a later bloomer as I was a suppressed bloomer," Bates told a full Minden library during the fifth annual Friends of the Haliburton County Library book gala on Nov. 7.

The award-winning, Canadian author born in China – with a published short-story collection, novel, memoir and articles in The Washington Post and The Globe and Mail – was raised in a family where storytelling was an imperative part of her life. Her father told her tales of Chinese heroines and teachers would read the "naughty" and "not-so-politically-correct" novels.

Though she was inundated with stories growing up, Bates was a teacher before becoming a writer. Her first book wasn't published until she was 47. What caused her delay? Part of it, she said, was due to growing up in a "very white" culture during the 1950s and '60s. "When I looked all around me in the small town I lived in (Acton), everyone was white," she said to the focused audience. "My teachers were white, the doctor was white, the fireman was white, the lawyer was white, even the town drunk was white!"

In being part of one of the few Asian families in her area, Bates was left confused and searched to find her identity. She turned to popular culture at the time and found her heroes in television.

"I was looking for someone who was Chinese and spoke English," she said. The characters that captivated her were in shows like Bonanza and Bachelor Father. She recalled how one episode of Wagon Train, featuring American actress Carol Lawrence, really had her glued to the screen.

"I was looking through the TV Guide and saw that in one of the



Author Judy Fong Bates with her book, "The Year of Finding Memory".

upcoming episodes one of the cowhands falls in love with a Chinese princess ... I never questioned the storyline and remember how badly I wanted to watch the show. I was thrilled when I saw it," said Bates. As a child, she also adored stories from the bible because they

included all of the elements – like conflict, jealousy, sex, betrayal and adultery – that intrigued her.

In her teen years, Bates read books that tackled homosexuality and race-related issues. She hung around a few very "sophisticated" people her age, and through them, met American writer James Baldwin – the man who gave her a "subliminal message."

"That subliminal message was, 'I am black, I write books, people buy my books, they read my books. Maybe you too have stories to share,'" said Bates. After publishing her first book, Bates waited again, this time 13 years before going on to her next project: a story about her immigrant parents. The reason for the delay, this time, was a painful family secret that held her back.

"It was a secret that we held very close to our chest," she said, revealing that her father committed suicide when she was 22. "I think my father's suicide was the major roadblock for writing that story about my parents."

It wasn't until she decided to take a trip to China with her husband and other family members that she was able to face, and write about, what "draped her family in a mantle of shame".

After making the journey, Bates discovered information about her parents' secret past and wrote the family memoir, The Year of Finding Memory.

"I was able to write a book that I hoped, in some way, would be a testament to the lives my parents lived and the contributions they were able to make to the Canada we know today," Bates went on to read an excerpt from her family memoir and participated in an audience question and answer period. Prior to the talk at the fundraising event, a total of \$2,500 was collected through a silent auction. The funds will be used to support each branch of the Haliburton County Public Library system. ■

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Gav on Sports

The NHL is right...

no one gets hurt in a hockey fight... doh!

By Terrance Gavan

Apropos of a recent dust up between New York Rangers forward Sean Avery and Edmonton's Lav 'The Impalee' Smid, fans, pundits and players are gabbing.

"Avery's gutless," says one player.

"He's a worm," says another.

"Lemme at him ... lemme, lemme at him ... I'll moider da bum," spits Sylvester the Cat.

"Edmonton Oilers defenceman Ladislav Smid didn't skate Monday morning at Millennium Place in Sherwood Park after taking a sneak punch flush in the kisser from New York Rangers antagonist Sean Avery Sunday," writes the Edmonton Journal's Jim Matheson. "He might not play against the Chicago Blackhawks on Wednesday.

"While the Oilers aren't throwing out the 'concussion' word, Smid did take a ripping blow to the head from Avery and had to be helped off the ice at Madison Square Garden."

First, I couldn't give a tinker's diddle about Avery.

Take a close look at the wording of the pundit.

Matheson whispers the "concussion word" almost as if he's trading freemason secrets.

Grab a pair Jim.

I saw it six times and I'll guarantee that Smid has a concussion.

The Oilers won't open it up because of new rules instituted by the NHL to take care of players who suffered head trauma in the line of duty.

Duty in this case should not include the delivery of an unimpeded haymaker thrown at the head of an unsuspecting combatant.

It's odd.

The NHL policing concussions while supporting legalized pugilism.

Brighter guys than me, Harvard lawyers (hello Brian Burke) say fighting can't be removed.

Why?

"Consequences," I'm told. "Implications," they say. "Ah shut up ya' wimp."

Point taken.

I like to reference Plato on sticky matters re essential attributes of what's right and who's wrong.

I pulled out my old dog-eared copy of the Republic and chomped down on a few passages.

Plato realized that it goes against the grain of human nature to accept direction without question.

And I'm calling BS.

I don't believe the NHL pres' Gary Bettman; I don't believe the vice-pres Collie Campbell; and I don't believe that slick-talking Harvard brief who also seems to be upchucking all over his side of the bargain with MLSE.

Why?

Because we're throwing dice with lives kiddoes.

We're setting precedents for kids according to standards - ugly standards - set by a professional sports body that speaks from both sides of its great gaping gob.

It would be ironic if it was funny.

It's not. It's serious.

Last week the Globe and Mail reported from a symposium on concussions in hockey.

In the article, former Drummondville Voltigeurs winger Kevin Mailhot told the conference and Globe writer Sean Gordon that he remembers most of his concussions.

"The first one, he thinks, came when he was pushed into the boards head-first in atom hockey - he would have been 10 or 11," says Gordon. "Six more concussions - 'at least, could be more' - followed over the next decade, including one while playing in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League that briefly resulted in respiratory arrest and was followed a day later by a disorienting overnight train ride home."

"I cried non-stop from Moncton to Amqui, which is about five hours. I didn't stop because I wasn't sad any more, just because I was too exhausted," said Mailhot.

The former junior star is now 24 and a recent law school

graduate. He recounted his tale last weekend at that symposium in Montreal, sponsored by Hockey Canada and the Dr. Tom Pashby Sports Safety Fund. Gordon reports that it's part of an ongoing series of workshops being held from Whitehorse to St. John's this year.

A recent medical report filed by a phalanx of researchers said that doctors and minor hockey players are calling for changes to rules and attitudes as evidence shows that concussions are taking an even greater toll on players than researchers had realized.

A Canadian study, published in the November issue of the journal Neurosurg Focus, found the injuries are seven times more common than previously reported for players in their late teens and early 20s and that many of those most closely involved with the sport aren't taking the injuries seriously.

"You don't suck it up and try to play through a concussion, if you do, it will get worse, we need to convince athletes this is different from other injuries," said Jamie Kissick, a former Ottawa Senators team doctor, who also attended last weekend's symposium.

From your lips to God's ears Dr. Kissick.

Unfortunately, in this case, god is Gary Bettman.

And he's aided and abetted by a juggernaut of angels, known collectively as the Board of NHL Governors.

They aren't beholden to codes of ethics.

They couldn't give a crap about concussions, head trauma or the rising tide of evidence that says young men and kids are suffering as a result of early and repeated injuries to the noodle.

No the Board of Governors in this top-down paradigm are interested in one thing and one thing only.

Fighting puts seats in the seats.

Their fealty?

Simple.

"In God we Trust."

And sadly.

The buck stops there.

Highland Storm round up at the seasons half way point

The Highland Storm Pee wee AEs

On Nov. 13 in Minden the boys faced up against the undefeated Almaguin Devils and this proved to be an exciting game with Max MacNaull scoring in the first period with an assist to John Morrison. It was a fast-paced game and the by the end of the third period the Storm had pulled off a win of 4-3 against the Devils. The other goals all scored in the third period go to Regan Casey, Drew Vanlieshout and another to Max MacNaull(unassisted). Assists going to Ethan Cooper, Drew Vanlieshout, Tim Burgess and Greg Crofts.

On Nov. 14 saw the team travelling to Port Carling for a rematch. This was a slower paced game though it did become physical in the third period. The score of this game was an overwhelming 15-0. A unassisted hattrick to Max MacNaull, a hattrick to Jake Bull, other goals to Josh Rowden(2), Alex Wilbee(2), Drew Vanlieshout(2), Ethan Cooper, Regan Casey and Mitch Billings. Assists to Alex Wilbee, John Morrison(3), Mitch Billings, Greg Crofts(3), Josh Rowden, Mac Rider(3), Ethan Cooper(2), Jake Bull and Tim Burgess. And for goalie Parker Smolen a shutout.

On Nov. 20 the team travels to Campbellford for a one day tournament and then a regular game against Huntsville in Minden on Nov 21 at 2:30pm. The team is also preparing for the Silver Stick tournament that we host in Minden on Dec. 4, and finish up in Haliburton Dec. 5.

G.J Burtch Construction Bantam A's knock off two wins

The G.J. Burtch Construction Bantam A's won twice last weekend against the Bracebridge Bears AE squad. Previously the Storm had beaten the Bears AE by a 12 - 1 score, and on Saturday night in the Bracebridge barn they played at first as if there would be no con-



Bantam Storm's Spencer Trueman fights for the puck in front of the Bracebridge net.

test; but the Bracebridge squad put on a brave fight with some tough physical play, and at one point led by a 3 - 1 score.

The Storm finally rallied to pull it out 6 - 5, and the next day back home in Haliburton won the return match 6 - 0.

This weekend the Bantam A's play in Huntsville on Saturday afternoon, then have a two week wait for their next League game (the squad is in tournament play the weekend of November 26 - 28).

Floyd Hall Insurance Atom AE's Win Two More in Weekend Action

After getting back on track the weekend before with a tough 3-1 win over arch-rivals Bracebridge the previous weekend, the Floyd Hall Insurance's Atom AE's continued their stormy ways by beating Huntsville 7-1 in Minden on Saturday.

Goals came from everywhere in an awesome display of scoring depth but still the team showed a penchant for some sloppy play and ill-

timed penalties. It was clear that the boys were looking forward to the rubber match with Bracebridge the following day. Goals were awarded to Shawn Walker and Ben Schmidt who had two each, Ryan Prentice, Jaxson Campbell and Matthew Manning. Credited with assists were: Alexander Petrie and Bo Stevenson with two each, and Ben Schmidt and Shawn Walker with singles.

On Sunday the anticipated tie-breaker with Bracebridge lived up to its billing and the boys showed the poise and energy required to eek out a 2-0 shut-out in Minden. Carson Sisson was star of the game with some amazing saves in securing the shut-out, including a glove save on a break away that could have altered the outcome greatly. Bo Stevenson and Shawn Walker scored the goals and Jaxson Campbell had the lone assist. The team plays next Nov. 20 against Almaguin in Burke's Falls and on Nov. 21 against Port Carling in Haliburton at 1:30.

Storm continues strong team play

The Minden Car Quest Bantam C Storm girls hosted in Minden this weekend, the Lindsay Lynx on Sat and the Markham-Stouffville Stars on Sun. The team is starting to gel and continuing their strong team play.

Saturday night the Storm girls finally figured out the Lindsay netminder and secured a 5 - 0 win. Kelsey Maracle chipped in with 2 goals, including the game winner and Connor Marsden turned aside all shots, securing the shut-out.

Sunday night the Bantam C's were challenged by Markham-Stouffville. The girls held the Stars off with a 1-0 win. Cassidy Garbutt had the game winning goal and Connor Marsden had her 7th shut-out of the season.

The Minden Car Quest Bantam girls remain undefeated with a 7 - 0 - 2 record. This weekend the team travels to Kanata in their first tournament of the year.

Kai Shin dojo draws 150 competitors



Katie Woudstra spars in competition on Saturday before she took home the gold medal in the age 15-16 green/brown belt division. Photo: Gav

By Terrance Gavan

The sense that something special is happening is etched on the faces of the competitors dressed in smart white karate gis.

Young kids, men and women sporting belts of many colors are sitting around two mats where practitioners of a very old tradition hone skills and vie for honors in contact sparring.

The shouts of a sensei judge center stage on mat one reverberates around the all-purpose room above the ice surface at Dysart et al Arena.

It's Sunday afternoon (Nov. 14) in Haliburton, and Kai Shin Sensei (coach or mentor to the uninitiated) Mike Chapman is watching as the competition draws to a close.

He says that due to the success of this event, the Kai Shin Karate dojo may be looking at booking a bigger venue for its next competition.

Sensei Mike has been running these competitions for many years and Haliburton is a respected stop on the competitive tour.

The action later in the afternoon is not quite as cramped as it was at the start, where spectators and fans vied for seats and standing room in the cramped confines of the multi-purpose room.

All eyes are focused on the two competitive mats.

The bouts are short.

Younger age categories compete in three point

matches – first one to three wins – and the older age groups compete in five point fights.

The sparring sessions are well-organized and the 120 or so competitors from five area clubs are hustled in and out of the ring on a quick rotation.

Bouts are scored by four judges and the main judge (sensei) who lines up the fighters.

The points come quick.

Sometimes after the first lunge or kick.

Points awarded for a defensive block, offensive punch, or sometimes via the always entertaining roundhouse kick.

It's all very organized, and the bouts, even with so many competitors in play, move along with cat-quick precision. Just like the combatants.

Quick, focused and ready.

Sensei Mike (Chapman) stops by, near the end of a long, long day.

Asked if it was a successful tournament, the answer comes with a smile.

"No one was hurt today, and that's the main thing," says Sensei Mike.

And of course with all the precision, quick exchanges, and flawless tempo, it's easy to forget that this flowing art of the open hand was developed by monks to repel invaders -with extreme prejudice.

We hope to have results in next week's Voice.

No shortage of qualified curling instructors for budding youth

(from page 19)

Cost is \$60 per kid from September to March Break, and the club provides a yearly stipend for the purchase of brooms, sliders and other equipment.

And thankfully there is no shortage of qualified instructors willing to take the time to nurture the budding generation of future Furby's and Bernard's.

Robinson and JD Hodgson Elementary teacher Jim Hopkins have been mentoring some of the younger curling novitiates for the last three Tuesday afternoons.

"I think it's really great for the kids, and we teach the basics, but we're here to make sure that the kids are having fun," says Hopkins.

Robinson's eyes light up when she talks about her own experiences.

"It's really amazing how quickly they're picking up the game," says Robinson, who is a member of the County Voice design team.

Russ Duhaime is a level 3 curling coach, certified through the Ontario Curling Association and Curling Canada.

He was at the club last Tuesday lending his expertise and working on all facets of the game with the young players.

For the past several years he has also been helping out Hal High Red Hawk curling Coach Tom Dibblee with technical and situational support. Of course Russ is also the dad of Hal High's 2008 Gore Provincial champs

Connor and Owen Duhaime. Connor is now skipping on the Ontario junior circuit and attending university.

Owen is still curling with the Red Hawks and was present last Monday just after the competitive curling league wrapped. (The high school curls as a unit in the Monday night league.)

He was smiling and nodding when his mom and dad asked gently if he would be joining the Tuesday afternoon sessions as a coach after soccer season wraps this week.

Owen, who benefited from the junior curling system when he was growing up and playing out of the Minden Curling Club, is actually pretty pleased to be able to give back to a new crop of young sweepers.

Russ says that the kids learn the finer points of the slide, release, sweep and technical aspects during a short set of drills at the beginning of the session. He says that it's very important to keep drills to a minimum. Then he says it's time to throw, sweep and hurry hard – or whoa!

"Kids get bored with drills very quickly," laughs Russ.

So the coaches – bulwarked by club members MacNaull, Marilyn Whittaker and Mary-Lou Waggett – all try to keep the young curlers engaged for about 15 to 20 min-



Chris Draper delivers a rock during Tuesday afternoon Junior curling clinic at the Haliburton Curling Club. Photo: Gav

utes of teaching, followed by some four-on-four ends.

MacNaull says that the game in Canada relies on grass roots recruitment, but it's imperative to

develop a vibrant entry level experience through these youth programs.

Russ says he's involved because he knows just how important to

keep kids engaged in an activity in their early years.

"Get kids involved, and we've got better kids, better communities and a better society," says Russ.

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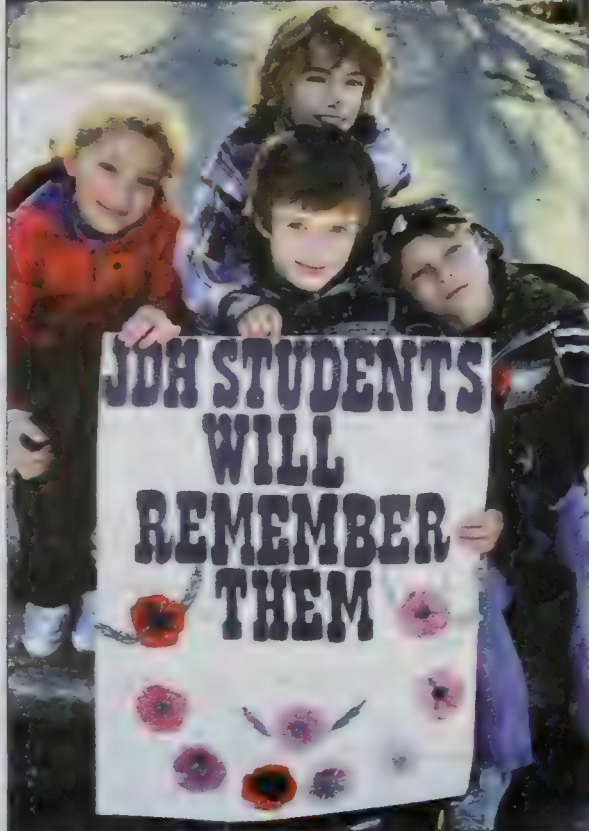
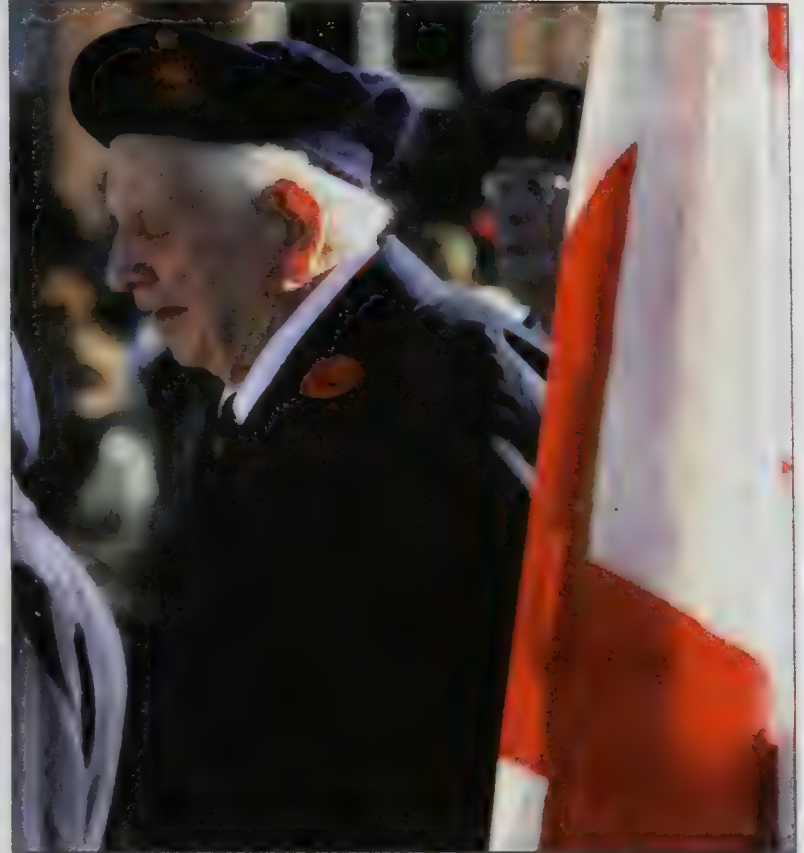
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Remembrance Day in Haliburton

Top Left: A large crowd observed Remembrance Day; Top right: Al Blanchard, a Second World War veteran appears saddened by his memories; Above: Legion Branch 129 Sgt. At Arms Brian Hambly escorts Second World War Veteran Billy Pickard as she lays a wreath in memory of the Postal Corps in which she served; Above left: JDH students Morgan, Nolan, Lucas and Jacob held a sign of support; Above far left: Lance Corporal Gord Fraser and his brother Master Corporal Stephen Fraser stand guard at the cenotaph.

Photos by Laura Redman

Weather perfect day to remember

November 11 drew crowds in Haliburton, to honour those who gave their lives for Canada in world wars and peacetime conflicts.

For the first time, all of the more than 300 students at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School walked to the village Cenotaph to participate in the ceremony.

"It was one of the best Remembrance Days we've ever had," said Branch 129 Legion President Carla Watson.

"It was so amazing to see those kids standing there. It was just overwhelming."

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Made in Canada Quartet
Haliburton Concert Series
Saturday Nov 13 – Northern Lights Pavilion
Special guest: Composer John Hedges
Canadian premiere of Hedges' work: November 2004. Suddenly. Beautifully. Unbridled. Devoid of pretense. That's how November 2004 made its Canadian debut on the sparse stage of the Northern Lights Pavilion on Saturday evening.

John Hedges, the composer, was flown in especially for the occasion. The players, Made in Canada played the piece as if they owned it. And yes, they do.

It was composed especially for them. How to describe November 2004?

It's ghost stories and Yaddo-riffs; a wonderfully eclectic mix of harmonics, crescendos, mute segues, flowing tremolos, sudden bursts, uneasy calms; a melted mélange, followed by the hard smack of synchronous chaos.

The end result? A work of art. Unabashedly magnetic, and searingly indiscreet. Just like it should be.

Composer John Hedges is a very talented Yank who believes in ghosts – more on that later – music, and the sweet undeterred collision of flats, sharps, and do-re-mi's. Not necessarily in that order.

The music drifted from the stage with the marvelously mellifluous assist of Made in Canada, an ensemble of four women whose charm and precipitous talents seemed tailor-snugged to this wonderful Hedges' piece.

Of course the quartet was brilliant during their performance of several traditional pieces in their well-defined repertoire.

Made in Canada. Judy Kang, (violin) Angela Park (piano), Rachel Mercer (cellist) and Sharon Wei (violinist) have been performing together for 10 years. (On Saturday night Australian violinist Sarita Kwok filled in for Kang who is on sabbatical.)

The group was awarded a 2006 CBC Galaxie Rising Stars Award from the Banff Centre for the Arts. Over the last year they have played to sold out houses right across Canada.

On Saturday evening, the charming quartet started with Mozart (Piano quartet in g minor) and ended with Brahms (Piano quartet in c minor Op 60). And in between there was John B Hedges, the son of a rock n' roll musician, who was quite happy, thank you very much, to have his work sandwiched between the likes of Johannes and Wolfgang Amadeus.

He addressed the packed house at the Northern Lights just prior to Made in Canada's debut of his work.

"Each of the movements tells in some aspect about my stay at Yaddo (an artist's colony in Sarasota Springs New York) in November 2004," said Hedges, whose bubbly stage presence infatuated the SRO crowd.

He said that the first movement Aurora over Saratoga was inspired by an odd, but quite memorable appearance of the northern lights over New York in 2004. "I had never seen

northern lights and it really astounded me ... those electric spiraling colors."

And yes, as the violins, piano and cello worked their magic in Aurora, eyes closed, I could conjure the vibrant colors that I used to watch, detailed on a Manitoba sky as another Interlake autumn drew its pall on my summer sojourn. The second movement, "Watching you without me"; A Ghost Story? was taken from three separate meetings with the famous or infamous Yaddo ghost who may or may not be an old women that inhabits the writers' residence. Hedges is not the first nor the last artist in residence to be spooked by the old Ectoplasm Lady of Yaddo, but he may be the first to incorporate her into the second movement of an opus.

He told the audience to ask him about it after the concert and so I did. He told me about three run-ins with the lady of the Manse. One was so disturbing that he plopped it into the score.

One night he felt an electronic tingle passing through his body and then to a bookshelf. Immediately, several books fell with a resounding thud. "At one point in the piece you hear a 'whoosh' followed by a 'brrruuummp' and that's taken directly from that very real experience in my room in the Saratoga Springs mansion," laughs Hedges. The other encounters included footsteps with no feet.

The third movement Molotov Dances came from some memorable artists' dance nights in his room, where the footsteps were engendered not by ghost, but by vodka. Coincidentally, his relationship with the Made in Canada ensemble was actually forged at that same Yaddo Camp in 2004.

"The inspiration for the piece was that time I spent at Yaddo ... and it's an ideal and idyllic spot to pause and work and reflect," said Hedges. "Sharon Wei is one of my closest friends from Curtis Institute of Music (Philly), and I knew that she was starting to form this Canada quartet and I thought that it's a great way to spend that first month at Yaddo; working on something very personal; responding to that environment; and writing it for a friend, and her group.

"It took us six years before we actually did get the piece written and performed, but it was well worth the wait for me."

The fine-honed edge and collaboration of word (composition) and deed (the players) filled the vast open spaces above the Northern Lights Pavilion last Saturday.

Hedges said that no part of this marvelously talented ensemble gets off easy in this work.

"They all have to work very hard, and I'm very glad that I was able to be here tonight," said Hedges. As we already said, Made in Canada ended the night with Brahms.

Johannes, most remembered for that lullaby.

However, sitting in the front row, eyes closed and head tilted slightly up - the better to hear those marvelously whispered refrains - I can tell you that sleep was the furthest thing from my mind.

Made in Canada – melodic, soulful and superb.

A warm tonic on winter's eve here in cottage country. And a superb way to finish off another successful Haliburton Concert Series season.

And yes you may indeed contact the HCS for season's tickets to the 2011 series. Phone 457-2695.



Children's entertainers make a splash at Razzamataz

Canadian Children's Music Group of the Year, Splash N' Boots, finally brought their bouncy sounds and playful antics to audiences in the Highlands. Splash (Nick Adams) and his other half Boots (Tees) had kids and their families singing and moving along to their melodies at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton this past Sunday. Their comical and engaging performance kicked off this year's Razzamataz Kids Show series.

Photo by Mark Arike



Hal High students remember

Grade 12 drama students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School put on a touching tribute on Nov. 11 (Remembrance Day) to the men and women who served in the first and second world wars. For their one-hour presentation – shown four times throughout the day for each grade – Ryan Merritt's class performed Sacrifice, an act based on Michael Fay's drama Never Such Innocence Again.

Photo by Mark Arike



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

The County of Haliburton is seeking expressions of interest from individuals interested in representing the Haliburton Highlands on the new **Regional Tourism Organization 11 – Ontario's Highlands** as a Director of the Board with the goal to help build and support a competitive and sustainable tourism region that will be better able to attract more visitors, generate more economic activity and create more jobs across the region.

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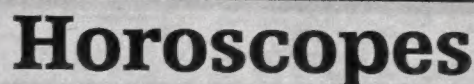
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By Steve Newman



BORN THIS WEEK: Time spent at home alone nurtures your mystic self. Spending your time with others nurtures them.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't feel sheepish about looking to spend more time with that special person during the upcoming holidays. Do it because it's the right thing to do.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Open up your eyes and see some welcome surprises you've missed or overlooked for too long. What you find can lead to other favorable changes.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Never mind letting misunderstandings repair themselves. Consider speaking up while the healing process can be shorter and sweeter and leave fewer scars.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) What you expect to be potentially troublesome might simply be especially challenging and well worth your efforts to check out. Good luck!

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Romance is easily awakened in the Gemini heart, especially around the happy holiday season. So go ahead and make those plans with that special someone.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friendship might not seem as trustworthy as you'd like. OK. Ask your questions, get your answers and settle the matter once and for all.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Moon Children can glow with their own inner light as the holiday season magic takes hold. It's a very special time for Cancers and Libras together. Enjoy.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A family situation moves into a new area because of (or, maybe, thanks to) some decisions you might have felt you could not avoid making.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good time for you fabulous Felines to take pleasure in your special gift for, well, taking pleasure! Look for this holiday season to give you every reason to purr.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You could be cutting it very close if you hope to make those holiday plan changes in time to avoid problems. Get a friend or family member to help.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time to let others who are in your life get a little closer to you. You'll both find out what you've been missing for far too long.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Friends show how important you are to them. Keep these precious relationships thriving. They affect much that will happen to the fabulous Fish in the new year.

Eruptions



 Indonesia's Mount Merapi volcano spewed towering columns of ash high above Java, killing dozens of additional victims and disrupting air transportation. Nearly 200 people so far have been killed by clouds of superheated gas and debris cascading down Merapi's slopes. Officials say that more than 350,000 people have been forced to evacuate and huddle in cramped emergency shelters.

• The Philippine volcano Bulusan has produced a sharp increase in activity over the past two weeks, with columns of ash soaring thousands of feet above the mountain's crater in Sorsogon province. Scientists say there is no need yet to evacuate any of the six towns near the volcano.

Whale of a Sunburn



A study of three whale species in the Gulf of California has found that a growing number of the marine mammals are developing skin damage comparable to sunburn in humans. A team of British researchers and whale experts from Mexico's Cetacean Ecology Laboratory theorize that increased ultraviolet (UV) radiation due to depletion of Earth's stratospheric ozone layer is causing blisters and other types of skin damage to whales. They say a thinner ozone layer has left paler-skinned species, like blue whales, highly susceptible to the more intense UV radiation of recent decades. Some say further research is needed to see if changes in the amount of cloud cover across the study area could be a factor. Additional studies are also planned to determine if whales can develop the ability to enhance their natural sun protection by, for instance, getting suntans.



 More than 100 people were injured when a relatively moderate but shallow quake wrecked scores of buildings in western Iran's Lorestan province.

- Earth movements were also felt in Russia's Caucasus region, southern Taiwan, New Zealand's North Island, north-central Texas and southeastern Missouri.

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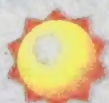
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THURSDAY



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▲ 16° ▼ 3°

FRIDAY



Sunny to partly cloudy and warm

▲ 17° ▼ 4°

SATURDAY



Increasing clouds and warm

▲ 15° ▼ 5°

SUNDAY



Cooler with a few morning showers

▲ 10° ▼ 3°

MONDAY



Partly to mostly cloudy and cooler

▲ 6° ▼ 0°

TUESDAY



Chance of a few morning showers

▲ 5° ▼ -2°

WEDNESDAY



Skies will be partly to mostly cloudy

▲ 6° ▼ -4°

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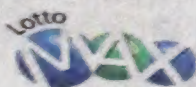


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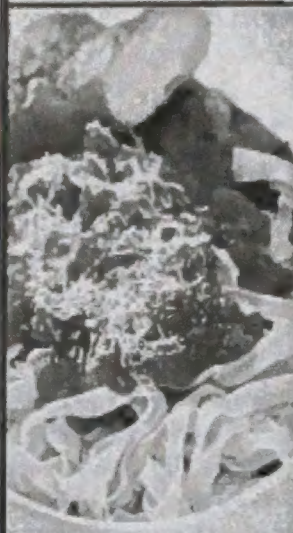
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